



Newsletter

21st May 2021



Dear parents and carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. This week I would like to update you on the following:

Value of the week

This week, the value that we have been focusing on is **courage**. This afternoon teachers shared some wonderful examples of how children have been courageous this week. It is always so heartening to hear of how children have been resilient in the face of finding something difficult, and sought support or tried to overcome particular barriers. It was wonderful to give this the praise it deserves today. A big well done to all the children named below!

Nursery	Oliver Daly
Reception Apple	Rabbani Ahmed
Reception Peach	Tasfia Hossan
Beech	Ayaan Hoque
Maple	Bertie Sleaf
Birch	Arlee Nadeem
Ash	Belle Bishop
Lemon	Veronika Berksons Morozova
Oak	Maize Drew
Aspen	Calvin Brychczynski-Marchioro
Spruce	Amir Hussain
Palm	Sophie Bennison
Cherry	Hazera Islam
Willow	Dora-Mei Konya
Cypress	Siennah Henry

Reading workshops

Parents in Early Years should have received a message from Ms. Tough inviting them to a reading workshop that she will be leading. We would strongly encourage parents to attend this workshop so that you can be informed on the teaching of reading at school, where any questions you may have can be answered. Reading is a real priority for us here at St. Luke's so we hope that we are able to work in partnership with families to help to achieve the best possible outcomes for the children.

As a reminder, the workshops are on Monday 24th May are at 9:30 am, and repeated again at 5 pm. These will take place on Zoom, and you will receive a link prior to the meeting.

Musical Mayhem

Musical Mayhem is BACK!

After a crazy year, we are thrilled to confirm that Musical Mayhem after-school club will be back from 7th June - 18th July. Classes are suitable for infants students who are currently in reception, year 1 and year 2. The 50 min class will take place Fridays at 15:30 with extremely limited availability to ensure Covid safety. This term the children will be singing and dancing to some of the wonderful songs from Trolls 1, and playing lots of creative drama games. Musical Mayhem have been running for over 7 years and can't wait to continue classes at St. Luke's. For more information head over to their website www.musicalmayhem.org or send Lyndsey an email at info@musicalmayhem.org

There is also a leaflet attached to this newsletter.



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Nuts in school

This is a polite reminder to please not include any nut products, or dishes containing nuts, in your child's packed lunch, or as part of their snacks. We have a number of children who have nut allergies in the school, some of them severe, so we must be very careful in minimising any risk of them coming into contact with nuts. Thank you for support and cooperation with this.

Packed lunches

I understand that there has been some confusion about whether or not children can bring in crisps as part of their packed lunches. When speaking to some families, considering our value of fairness, some felt that it was not fair that children who have school dinners are given a treat at times as a desert. Therefore, from Monday, we will allow children to bring in **baked, not fried**, crisps. Please note that this must be part of a balanced, healthy meal if it part of their packed lunch, as this is what our school dinners provide.

Parking outside the school

Please note that the yellow hazard lines outside the school gate must be kept clear at all times, and cannot be used even for drop-offs. As I am sure you can appreciate, this is for the safety of children as they come into school. The local police got in contact with the school this week as they are going to be increasing their patrols around schools at the beginning and end of the day to try to prevent this from happening, and will begin to issue fines if the hazard lines are blocked.

Free tickets to the English National Opera for 5 - 21 year olds with fee paying adult

We have been made aware of a fantastic offer by the English National Opera (ENO). The ENO now offer free tickets to all Under 21 year olds with a fee paying adult (discounts for under 35's). Tickets are available from the 2nd June, when all tickets go on general release. Simply go to [eno.org](https://www.eno.org).

Notice from the Local Authority: Safeguarding Alert to Schools and Education Settings

The Local Authority has been notified of a number of incidents in the Whitechapel/Bethnal Green area that occurred last week involving parents and staff.

A staff member from a primary school was attacked from behind and robbed of their phone. Another staff member from a different primary school was attacked when she went out at lunch time.

Three parents from two different schools have also reported that they were also attacked from behind and robbed of their phone.

The incidents have been reported to the Police.

The LA have been liaising with the Neighbourhood Police Team, Tower Hamlets Enforcement Team and the Safer School Police Officers. The Neighbourhood Police Team will be carrying out high visibility patrols during peak times across the schools that have been targeted. The Met Police Robbery Task Force Team have also been alerted and are undertaking investigations.

The Met Police have advised that any such incidents should be reported to the Police via 999. This enables the Police to safeguard any victim who may be vulnerable and gives the Police the best opportunity of catching the suspects. Schools and settings are advised to remind their staff, pupils and parents to be vigilant and be aware of their surrounding when using their phone in public.

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

With best wishes,

Cristina King



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Here are some photos of our Reception children playing What's the Time Mr Wolf outside, role-playing being in Year one (with socks on hands, of course), and how we started DSR this week. There are also photos of our skip counting in twos in our (windy!) maths lesson.



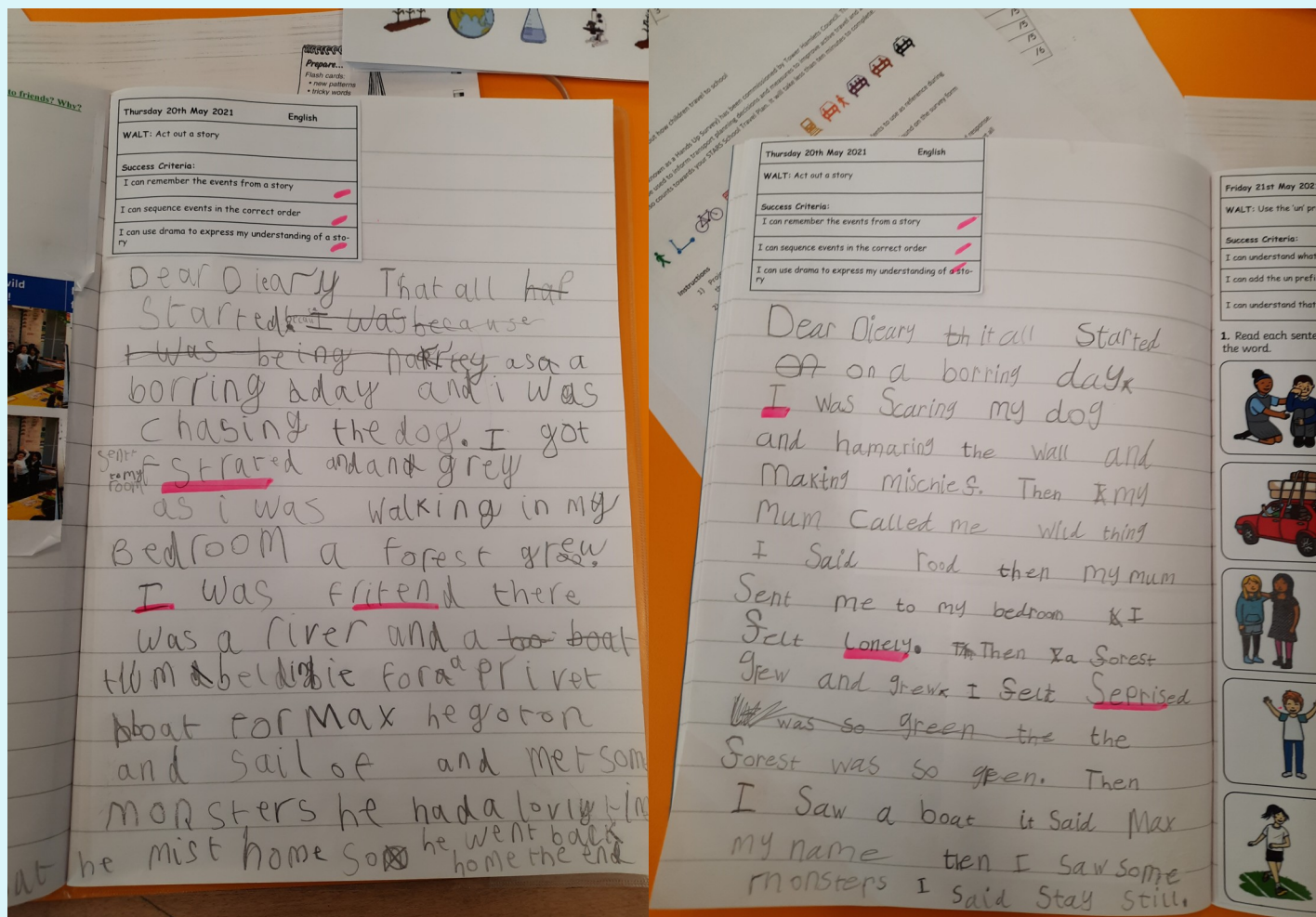


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Here we have some wonderful writing from two of our Year 1 children, writing a diary entry from the point of view of Max, about his adventure to the island of the wild things.



Elizabeth's work

Alyssa's work



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Ms. Tough, in Year 3, would like to share Veronika's work this week, linked our value of courage. In class this week, even when she could have been distracted she has had the courage to ignore it all and stay focused on her work. She has had an amazing week completing every task and her week has improved tremendously as a result. Well done Veronika!

WALT: use time conjunctions to sequence events.
I can create a bank of time conjunctions.
I can sequence events.
I can begin my sentence with the correct time conjunction.

Wednesday May 19th 2021

then
Mary's father realised that Mary is not only a girl.

AS SOON AS Mary she was clever girl.
*Well done sequencing and retelling!

use your words
Suddenly Peter took out the fossil Mary showed it it treasure!

After that they found some more of fossils.

while they were searching for fossil they found a shark teeth

Just at that moment Peter died:

WALT: use the first person to write a personal recount.
I can say what the first person is.
I can identify where 1st person is used.
I can write in the 1st person.
I can write a few sentence

Tuesday May 18th 2021

Third Person	Second Person	First Person
he/ she	you	I
him/ her	you	ME
his/ hers	yours	MINE
they	you	us
them	you	on the beach
their	your	our shells

I went to the beach with my daddy and we found some corals. I am so surprised! ~~as~~ * Amazing use of first person!
fresh treasure
I love my tone it's beautiful, and pretty. I really like to live here
I love my daddy his mine ~~because~~ ^{so} sadly my dad had heart attack.
I was so sad but I found happiness in my heart.



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Year 5 have been busy exploring chemical reactions and observing irreversible changes.

We have been conducting three different experiments. First an explosive coke and mentos reaction, observing the rapid increase of bubbles and pressure, and then exploring how heat can turn bread into toast and creating our own casein plastic with milk and vinegar.

Irreversible Chemical Changes

